# Nick Carter Ditches Sister's Wedding for His Bachelor Party





By Louisa Gonzales

There is a new addition to the musically inclined Carter family. Nick and Aaron Carter's sister, Angel Carter recently got hitched to lover Corey Conrad at Newhall Mansion in Piru, California, on Saturday, February 8th, according to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. The wedding celebration, which took place in the late afternoon, included many family and friends of the couple, except there was one important member of the Carter family missing, brother Nick. The Backstreet Boy singer Nick, 34, was supposed to walk his sister down the aisle, but didn't in favor of attending a joint bachelor and bachelorette party,

held in Las Vegas at the Palms Hotel and Ghost Bar with his own bride-to-be, Lauren Kitt. However, even though one of her brothers couldn't make the wedding ceremony, her twin brother Aaron was in attendance and the two even shared a touching moment on the dance floor together as seen by a picture one of the guests posted.

What are some things to consider around the timing of your wedding?

#### Cupid's Advice:

A wedding is a special occasion and it is lovely to be able to share your special day with family and friends. Of course, you want everyone important in your life to attend the witnessing of your wedding vows, but sometimes life gets in the way. It's sad when your loved ones are unable to make it to the wedding celebration, and there could be many reasons why, maybe they're sick, or can't afford to travel to the wedding destination or maybe it conflicted with prior engagements, you know as they say timing is everything. Cupid has some advice on things to consider around the timing of your nuptials.

1. Plan your wedding months in advance: Doing this will give people a considerably amount of time and a heads up to make arrangements to come to your wedding. Let guests know exactly where and when the wedding is taking place so they can make plans accordingly and make all necessary arrangements. It's harder for people to plan to do things in such short notice no matter what it is, just think wouldn't it be hard to plan your wedding on a short time frame? Think about your guests, everyone has their own lives and schedules.

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2. Ask friends and family when's a good time to get married: See when is the best day for all your closest family

and friends to attend. Ask them things like when they will be off work, or have time to take off. It is wise to consider the people you both hold dear when making wedding decisions and who knows they might even be able to share some good advice. Another thing to consider before saying your "I do's", is if you plan to travel or to invite guests who have to travel to your wedding think about things such as the weather, time and month. You wouldn't want people to not be able to attend because of the weather or work conflicts when it could have been resolved by picking a better wedding date.

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3.Check up on who is and isn't coming: Don't assume all the people you sent invitations to are going to attend your wedding nuptials. Include on the invitation a R.S.V.P line as this will let them know they need to reply if they're going to attend so you can plan accordingly. Ask them to send back their reply on whether they can make it by the "Reply by" date. If certain guests don't reply by your set deadline, check up on it by contacting them to confirm because maybe the invitation could have gotten lost in the mail or they forgot. Remember though, sometimes no matter how much you hope and try to pick a date that can work for everyone you plan to invite it's just not possible, so don't be too bummed out if certain people can't make it and focus on the ones that can.

What do you think couples should consider around the timing of their wedding? Share your tips below.

## 'The Bachelor' Celebrity Wedding: Sean Lowe Catherine Giudici





By April Littleton

According to <a href="People">People</a>, The Bachelor reality TV stars Sean Lowe and Catherine exchanged celebrity wedding vows on live TV on Sunday. Lowe's father officiated the ceremony. The couple got engaged in Thailand in November of 2012.

'The Bachelor' celebrity couple Sean and Catherine Lowe were able to add some personal flare to their celebrity wedding. What are some unique ways to incorporate your personal style into your big day?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding day is fast approaching, but you still haven't found that special "thing" that will make your wedding a one-of-a-kind experience. Don't worry, Cupid has your back:

1. The decorations: Don't pick the same old boring decor every other couple has picked before you. Think outside of the box. Try different color schemes, different flower arrangements. Better yet, create some of your own decorations for the ceremony and reception so that they are truly unique. If you have a creative eye, you can come up with something nobody has ever seen before.

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2. Plan it yourself: This option might be a little tough to do. When it comes to your special day, plan the whole event yourself. This will allow you to have more freedom of thought and ideas as you go. It can be extremely stressful so we do not recommend this for just anyone. Obviously, you can ask for help whenever you need it, but for the most part, doing it by yourself can feel like a huge accomplishment.

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**3. The little things:** The music. The food. The guest list. Think long and hard about ways you can make the small details creative and fun. Ask your partner to help out. Maybe he/she

joked about having chicken nuggets at the reception? You don't have to order fancy filet mignon just because that's considered to be a "normal" entree. Do your own thing. If you want a personal friend to DJ at your wedding, let them. After all, this is YOUR wedding day.

What are some other unique ways to incorporate personal style into a wedding? Comment below.

## Queen Latifah Officiates Mass Weddings at Grammy's





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, Queen Latifah officiated 33 marriages during the Grammy performance of "Same Love" by Macklemore and Ryan Lewis. The couples joined together were a mix of gay and straight sexual orientation. Afterward, Madonna serenaded the newlyweds with her 1986 hit "Open Your Heart."

What are some advantages of mass weddings?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Congratulations on your big day! However, this day isn't just about you — it's about the group of other couples who decide to get married at the same time as you. Mass weddings shouldn't be something you're afraid to experience. If you're still on the fence about participating in one, Cupid has some tips:

1. Celebration: If you choose to participate in a mass wedding, you get to celebrate your special day with multiply people who are feeling the exact same thing you're feeling. A wedding is a joyous occasion, and the love and happiness of it all should be shared with others.

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2. Unique experience: Going through with a mass wedding is an unique experience not everyone can say they've been apart of. You will get to exchange 'I Dos' with the love of your life around a group of like-minded couples who are doing the same.

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3. The memories: At the end of the ceremony, you will have memories to last you a lifetime. What you get to look back on goes beyond just thoughts of your wedding, but the fact that you got to witness other weddings as well. The emotions you felt that day, the happiness you felt for the lovebirds around you and the pure love you felt for your significant other

will stay with you for the rest of you life.

What are some other advantages of mass weddings? Comment below.

# Find Out Details About 'The Bachelor' Winner Catherine Giudici's Celebrity Wedding Gown!





By Louisa Gonzales

The final countdown to the celebrity wedding of celebrity couple Sean Lowe and Catherine Giudici from *The Bachelor* is on! The event will be shown live on ABC in a series first from 8-10 p.m. ET on Sunday, January 26th. The happy celebrity couple first got engaged in Thailand in the 17th season of *The Bachelor*. The gorgeous duo are only days away from tying the knot and in the meantime have been making their way around New York, sharing their engagement experiences and wedding details with the media and their fans.

The big day is coming up quick for this happy celebrity couple and 'The Bachelor' fans are dying to know more about this celebrity wedding.

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The famous couple was on *Good Morning America* on Wednesday morning, and the major topic of discussion was, of course, Giudici's celebrity wedding gown. Every bride-to-be knows the dress is one of the most important elements on a girl's big day. Lowe's fiancée gushed about her gown and shared that she can't wait for everyone to see it. She described it as "perfect" and "sexy," saying she has always felt like the "cute girl" but is finally ready to show the world her more womanly side.

The reality television starlet didn't reveal too much about her dress, as she wants it to be a surprise, but says it goes with the "grown sexy" theme of the wedding. Some fans of *The Bachelor* are tuning in to see the lovers say their vows, but for many of the viewers, it's all about finally getting a glimpse at the wedding gown! Lowe even revealed that, come the

big day, he'll only be focused on his bride in her dress.

The happy celebrity couple also told anchor Lara Spencer that they're "anxious" and "ready" to say their I do's in front of family, friends, and, of course, fans. By just watching the lovebirds in this exclusive interview, one can see how their eyes light up when they talk about each other and how happy they make one another. Interestingly enough, we learned that the one most likely to cry first during the ceremony will be The Bachelor stud, confirmed by Lowe himself.

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The excitement won't stop after the ceremony; the reception is sure to be a blast as well. Given the fact that Lowe is a former *Dancing with the Stars* contestant, lots of boogieing will definitely occur. The Hollywood couple will share there first dance to "One Woman" by the Randy Rogers Band, a song picked by the future groom.

The couple stated that, while they want their wedding to be traditional in the sense they're getting married in a Christian ceremony officiated by Lowe's father, the wedding reception is going to be more modern and festive. The soulmates want their special day to be full of laughter, smiles, and love for themselves and all who witness it — us included!

Be sure to watch The Bachelor wedding special on Sunday, January 26th at 8 p.m. ET on ABC.

## Johnny Depp and Amber Heard Are Engaged: Find Out Why





By Louisa Gonzales

The union between Johnny Depp and Amber Heard is not your typical romance. Johnny Depp, 50, is 23 years older than rising actress Amber Heard, 27, but the major age gap hasn't hindered the two lovebirds relationship. Even though the couple only recently went public with their love, they are now engaged! Depp's previous relationship with French singer and actress Vanessa Paradis lasted 14 years, but he never wed his then-girlfriend and mother of his two children Lily Rose, 14, and Jack, 11. Heard, who hasn't been shy about expressing her sexuality, previous partner was with a woman, Tasya Van Ree, a photographer. According to <u>People</u>, a source who is close to Depp revealed the reason for their quick engagement is because

Depp believes she is his perfect match and is attracted to her "individuality" and "free spirit". Congratulations are in order for the newly engaged couple!

How do you know when you've found "the one"?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Being in love can give you a number of mixed emotions, it is exciting, fun and scary. The reasons people are attracted to one another depends on the person and their preferences, but unlike attraction sometimes love can't be explained. How does one know if they have found their perfect match? Cupid has some advice on you can tell if you have found "the one":

1. They make you happy: Do you find yourself catching your breath when you first see them, does you tummy start doing somersaults and get butterflies when you're around them? If you feel these things and find yourself always smiling and laughing around them, chances are they make you happy. Happiness is the key to every good relationship. Once you've found the person who makes you happy and always finds a way to cheer you up, never let them go.

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2. You're always thinking about them: Is your lover always on your mind or do you catch yourself relating things or experiences back to them? Do little things remind you of them? If the answer to these questions are yes, signs point that your significant other is a big part of your life. When you have met your soulmate everything about them just consumes you. It is scary to think about how someone can have such a hold on you or cause such a huge impact on your life, but at the same time it feels exhilarating, new and life changing.

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3. You love everything about them, the good and the bad: True love isn't about liking only a few things about the person, it is about loving all of them and accepting everything that comes along with them. No one is perfect, but when you love some one you accept and rather enjoy their imperfections. You know you really care about a person when you are constantly trying prove to them why they are worth it and special to you. When you find a partner you truly believe in, it is not just for now, but forever.

How can you tell if you have found "the one"? Share your tips below.

## Kim Kardashian and Kanye West Visit Paris: Wedding Plans?





By Louisa Gonales

The sound of wedding bells is approaching nearer for Kim Kardashian and Kanye West. The couple that is planning to tie the knot this summer recently went on a trip to Paris. The pair were spotted out and about walking around and having lunch at L'Avenue Restaurant in Paris on Saturday, January 18th and Sunday January 19th. The soon-to-be bride and groom were apparently there not just to sight see, but also for wedding plans, according to a source for <u>UsMagazine.com</u>.

## What are some exciting destination wedding locations?

### Cupid's Advice:

Getting married is an exciting time in a person's life, but also is stressful due to wedding planning. One of the main things the engaged couple has to decide is where to get married. This part of wedding planning should be fun, it's all about finding the place that is right for the both of you. Are you one of the pairs who want to go on location for your pending nuptials? Cupid has some tips on possible wedding locations:

1. Paris: Paris is considered one of the most romantic places on earth and the perfect place to tie the knot. There are many beautiful churches and temples as well as many other elegant locations to choose from to get married in. When it comes to having your wedding reception Paris offers many regal and classical settings where the newly wed couple and guests can celebrate toasting champagne, eating some of Paris's amazing cuisine and dancing until the early morning.

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2. Las Vegas: The city 'that never sleeps' is full of exiting things to do and is non-stop place to party. If you're into having a good time, being carefree, loose and wild Las Vegas could be the right wedding destination for you, especially if you are looking to get hitched right away. Vegas is home to many chapel's and most stay open late. It's a fun place to say your vows if you're looking to have a small wedding with a few close family and friends.

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Carlos Pena, Jr. in Mexico

**3. Bahamas:** If you are looking to possibly have a beach wedding, the Bahamas has many warm places off the coast of its gorgeous ocean to choose from. The Bahamas also offers many other great tropical settings and colorful accommodations where couples can find privacy, making it a fantastic place to have your nuptials. Say your "I do's" in paradise and celebrate with family and friends in surroundings that is lovely and enjoyable for all invited.

What do you think are some exciting wedding locations? Share your thoughts below.

# The LOWEdown on 'The Bachelor' Celebrity Wedding of Sean Lowe & Catherine Giudici





By Louisa Gonzales

We're invited to view arguably one of the biggest celebrity weddings of the year between reality TV stars Sean Lowe and Catherine Giudici, who we all watched fall in love on the ABC reality television series, *The Bachelor*. Come join us as we tune in to see the lovebirds say their wedding vows and tie

the knot. Didn't you get the invite? Even though the two are celebrating their commitment in a live, televised wedding ceremony on Sunday, January 26th, they still sent out invites like any other couple.

'The Bachelor' celebrity couple Sean Lowe and Catherine Giudici are tying the knot! Were you invited to their celebrity wedding?



Photo courtesy of ABC.

The wedding invitation is a reflection of the beaming celebrity couple's personality, and when reading it, you really get a sense of the type of wedding you're about to witness. The invitation has a goofy description of how they'll be spending the evening: "The LOWEdown: marrying, eating, boogie-ing."

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The RSVP card is also quite witty. For those attending, it says "can't wait," but for those with regrets, the box to check is "something more important to attend than celebrating the union of Sean & Catherine."

The former Bachelor stars, who reside in Texas and plan to

move in together after they're wed, first announced the date of their big day on *Good Morning America* in October. The wedding ceremony will be held in Santa Barbara, California. It's no surprise that friends, family, and fellow *Bachelor* and *Bachelorette* reality TV contestants all seem happy for the pair's pending wedding nuptials. They've certainly captured our hearts too!

Leading up to their wedding vows, the TV sweethearts have had a blast attending wedding-related events, such as their celebrity engagement party, bachelor and bachelorette parties, and two wedding showers. The latest shower was held at the Lowe house on Saturday, January 4th — three weeks before their big "I do's." Lowe posted a picture of him and Giudici on Instagram (above) looking partied out and in bliss after a long day of celebration. They received gifts from their registries at Crate & Barrel and Macy's. Guests can also make donations to the organization Micheala's Army, which helps children with pediatric cancer. Isn't it nice to see a celebrity couple use their special day to support a good cause?

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The happy celebrity couple want to make sure that their wedding is unforgettable. They seem to be on the right path, having hired celebrity wedding planner Mindy Weiss to give them a "grown-up sexy" day. The duo have been posting tweets and pictures to share how pleased they are with the progress Weiss has made on their wedding plans.

In preparation for their church wedding, Giudici was recently baptized by Lowe's father Jay at Plymouth Park Baptist Church. Her fiancé is a born-again Christian and has never been shy about expressing his beliefs, but the bride-to-be's decision to be baptized as Christian was reportedly her own. Jay will also be marrying the future spouses.

Be sure to watch The Bachelor wedding special on Sunday, January 26th at 8 p.m. ET. Stay tuned for more exciting details about their big day!

## Ashlee Simpson Is Engaged to Evan Ross





By Louisa Gonzales

It looks like Ashlee Simpson and Evan Ross will be tying the knot in the near future! Ross shared the news on his Twitter account, captioning a photo: "My baby love and I are ENGAGAED!!! Hallelujah Hawaii!!!" This will be Simpson's second marriage. According to <a href="People">People</a>, the couple's

relationship went public back in July, and later Simpson was spotted at a concert after party in August getting to know Ross's mother, Diana Ross. Ross has also reportedly spent a lot of time with Simpson and ex-husband Pete Wentz's son Bronx Mowgli, 5. Congrats to the happy couple!

How do you introduce your child to a new partner?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Finding romance with someone new is fun and exciting, especially after your previous one didn't work out like you had hoped. When you are happy in a new relationship you want to tell everybody and shout it from the roof tops, but how do you tell your child about your new beau? Cupid has some Advice on how to introduce you new partner to your child:

1. This is the next step in your relationship: First make sure your relationship is serious and solid enough with a potential long-lasting future. Children can become attached easily and if you break up your partner or they leave you, the child will suffer the loss as well. Introduce them to your new 'love' when your relationship is stable and in a good place.

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2. Ease your child into your new relationship: Don't just drop this new relationship development in you life on them without giving your children the proper warning. Warm them up to the idea, by casually starting to name-drop this new romantic interest in your life and bring them up during your daily conversations. Mention how you have spent more time with a new friend, someone you would like them to meet very soon.

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3. Choose the proper place for them to meet: The introduction between your new lovebird and child should take place where

the child feels safe, happy and secure. If you introduce them during a time or place they feel distressed or frightened they will associate this new person in their life with that. If it is in a fun social environment, a place where they associate as the norm to meet new people, say the park, the child will feel more at ease and open to the idea of you and your new partner.

What do you think is the best way to introduce your child to your new partner? Share your tips below.

## 'Spy Kids' Actress Alexa Vega Ties the Knot with Carlos Pena, Jr. in Mexico





By Louisa Gonzales

Alexa Vega started off the New Year with a bang by tying the knot with long-term boyfriend Carlos Pena, Jr. The pair married on Saturday January 4, in Cabo San Juan Lucas, Mexico. a rep confirmed to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>. Congrats to the happy couple!

What are three warm vacation spots that provide a great setting for a wedding?

## Cupid's Advice:

Picking out the perfect spot for your wedding is a difficult task for many couples. Are you two lovebirds looking to get away for your Wedding? Somewhere that is warm, fun and romantic? Cupid has some advice on some possible wedding spots:

1. Mexico: Parts of Mexico, especially by the coast can offer great, unforgettable, and romantic wedding destinations. Get hitched in paradise such as Mexico. With its warm weather, nice beaches and tropical settings it's a lovely place for

saying your vows.

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2. Hawaii: Hawaii is best known for being a great honeymoon hot spot so why not tie the knot there as well and save on traveling costs? Hawaii and its various islands have many beautiful, well-maintained beaches as well other striking and colorful places to choose from. There you can create a sweet, private and personal wedding.

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3. The Caribbean: Lastly, but not least the Caribbean is a great spot for a beach wedding. Anyone of the islands would give extraordinary setting for your wedding nuptials! It is a warm, quite and relaxing place, perfect for a nice, peaceful ceremony. Plus, with the exotic surroundings it can provide great backdrops for your wedding photographs.

Where would you want to vacation for your wedding? Share your thoughts below.

## 'Bachelorette' Alum Emily Maynard is Engaged to Tyler Johnson





By Brittany Stubbs

If at first you don't succeed, try, try again! This expression seems to be the mindset to getting married for Emily Maynard, who got engaged to her boyfriend Tyler Johnson on Jan. 4th. Although the reality TV star has previously been engaged to the late Ricky Hendrick, Bachelor Brad Womack, and Bachelorette winner Jef Holm, she believes she's finally found the one. "We're really excited!!" Maynard tells <code>UsMagazine.com</code>, explaining how her husband-to-be included her daughter, Ricki, in the proposal. "He proposed to me at home and gave both Ricki and me rings. It was so sweet! Ricki loves him more than she likes me!"

What are some compelling reasons to pop the question at home?

## Cupid's Advice:

You don't need a five-star restaurant, horse and carriage, or private beach to create a magical proposal. Sure, those options are nice, but there are advantages to having the special moment right in your home:

1. Privacy: Getting engaged is be both special and intimate. Where better to experience a moment like this than the privacy of your own home? This allows you to react and celebrate however you want, without worrying about disturbing or being watched by people around you.

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2. Surprise factor: If you're hoping to surprise your partner when you propose, do it where she least expects it: at home. Women are always suspecting when you make plans for fancy dinners or weekend getaways, so this will catch her off guard and make the moment all the more exciting!

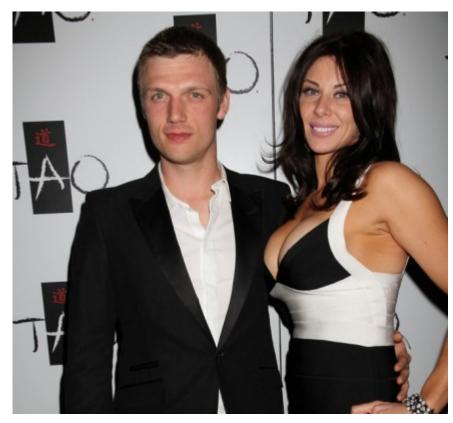
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3. More freedom: Maybe you want to decorate the entire room with flowers, have the ring box tied to her dog's collar, or play her a special song before you get down on one knee. Being in the privacy of your own home allows you the freedom to do the kind of proposal you might not be able to in a restaurant or public place.

What are advantages to getting engaged in your own home? Share your thoughts below.

## Emma Roberts Is Engaged to Boyfriend Evan Peters





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, <u>American Horror Story</u> costars Emma Roberts and Evan Peters are engaged. Peters proposed to Roberts in NYC over the holidays with a pink gold and diamond ring. The lovebirds have been dating since 2012.

What are some ways to keep your engagement under wraps at first?

### Cupid's Advice:

You're newly engaged, but you're not entirely sure if you're ready to tell all of your loved ones yet. Sometimes, couples just want to enjoy the moment by themselves for a little while and that's perfectly OK. Cupid has some tips:

1. Keep it a secret: Hiding such exciting news from your friends and family can be easier said than done, but it's also the simplest way to keep your engagement just between you and your partner. Until you're ready to tell your loved ones what's going on in your relationship, keep this bit of information to yourself.

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2. The ring: You can't go flashing your ring around when you're trying to keep your engagement a secret. When you're around people who aren't aware of your relationship status, just tuck away your ring in a safe place.

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**3. Avoid social media:** Even your cryptic tweets or Facebook status can reveal your big secret. Avoid saying anything about you and your partner on any social network until you've figured out when and where would be the best time to let everyone know about your engagement.

How did you keep your engagement under wraps at first? Share your experience below.

## All-American Rejects Singer Tyson Ritter Ties the Knot





By Brittany Stubbs

The New Year was started with love, as Tyson Ritter and actress Elena Satine tied the knot this Tuesday. It was an intimate affair, taking place in Seaside, Florida, in front of 50 of their closest friends and family members. "We feel very fortunate to have started the New Year this way," the couple shares with <u>People</u>. "With an abundance of love and happiness together, shares with all of our friends and family."

What are some compelling reasons to keep your wedding small and intimate?

## Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding is one of the most exciting days of your life. Although it's tempting to want to invite everyone and their yoga instructor, there are advantages of celebrating with a more intimate crowd:

1. Saving money: Obviously, this is always a great reason to shorten your guest list. With extra money, you can provide more for the people you invite. For example, a nicer meal at

the reception, fancier place settings, etc. But saving money isn't all about the wedding, think about that honeymoon. Even if you have someone paying for your trip, they usually aren't covering all the meals, drinks, excursions, etc. Consider these details when debating between a small and large wedding.

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2. The more intimate, the more memories: Although a wedding reception is a celebration for the bride and groom, it's also like hosting a party. You want to enjoy yourself, but you also feel the need to see and talk with all your guests, and make sure everyone is being taken care of. With less people, you can spend more time doing what your wedding is about, celebrating! This allows more time for taking pictures with close friends and family, dancing, and making all those memories your wedding should contain.

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3. Less pressure: The fewer people you invite, the fewer people you have to worry about. When you know you're surrounded by only close friends and family, you're way less likely to worry about little things like tripping in your dress while you're walking down the aisle, stuttering during your vows, or messing up during your first dance. A small and intimate wedding takes off the pressure and allows you to enjoy yourself, which is what your celebration is about.

What are your thought on small and intimate weddings? Share with us below.

## Olivia Palermo Gets Engaged to Johannes Huebl In St. Barts





By Brittany Stubbs

2014 marked the beginning of an engagement and year of love for Olivia Palermo and Johannes Huebl. While vacationing in St. Barts, the German model popped the question to Palermo, confirms *People*. The couple revealed their exciting news in an Instagram video, this Wednesday. The video shows Palermo skipping through the palms with the wind in her hair, showing off both the engagement ring and her pure happiness.

What are some reasons to get engaged on a holiday?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Getting engaged on a holiday definitely has its perks. Cupid sheds some light:

1. Family and friends around: Getting engaged on a holiday sets up the potential to have more people to celebrate with. With family and friends usually off work, they not only can be close to congratulate you on your engagement, but they can even help be apart of it.

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2. More time to celebrate: Who wants to get engaged and then return to work the next day? On a holiday, you usually have a break or some flexibility in your schedule, which allows for more time to celebrate with your lover...which is what everyone wants to do after getting engaged.

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3. Your anniversary will always be special: When the anniversary of your engagement is also a national holiday, you'll never miss a year of celebrating one of the most important days of your life. You also won't have to try and move around your schedule or plans every year to recognize your special day, because your job will most likely already allow you the day off (depending on the holiday).

What are some reasons to get engaged on a holiday? Share your thoughts below.

## 'Bones' Star TJ Thyne Proposes to Model Girlfriend Leah Park





By Brittany Stubbs

The engagement of TJ Thyne and Leah Park sounds like it came from a movie! While the couple was vacationing in Cologne, Germany, they were walking the grounds of the castle they were staying when the *Bones* star popped the question to his model girlfriend, confirms *People*. Thyne shared photos of the Hollywood-worthy moment, including him down on one knee, and then kissing his new bride-to-be in a candlelit heart in front of the gorgeous castle. As if that wasn't beautiful enough, they posed in front of a horse-drawn carriage, which Park later shared on Instagram with the caption, "A fairytale

engagement."

What are some ways to make your marriage proposal unique?

#### Cupid's Advice:

So not everyone has the luxury to get down on one knee in front of a beautiful castle and then be taken away in a horse-drawn carriage, but there are other ways to make your engagement as special and unique as your love.

1. Skip the expected: While a fancy dinner followed by a velvet box and diamond ring is nice, it's definitely been done a million times over. So if you're wanting to make your proposal totally unique, cancel those dinner reservations.

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2. Personalize it: There's no better way to make your proposal unique than personalizing it to the tastes of your partner. Is there a show or activity they love? Why not incorporate a proposal with their hobby? It will not only surprise them, but it will make your engagement all the more special because you combined it with something that's already special to their heart.

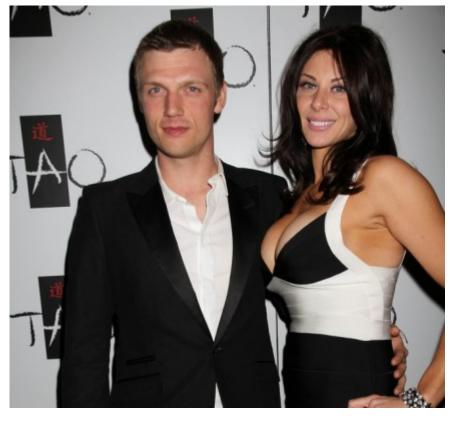
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3. Take it out of town: So we can't all fly off the Germany, but why not include your proposal in a weekend getaway? This makes the proposal exciting since it's taking place somewhere new and/or outside your regular realm. It also gives you both a chance to celebrate the engagement for a day or so. Who wants to get engaged and then return to work the next day?

What do you think makes a marriage proposal unique? Share your thoughts below.

# Kaley Cuoco Says Her Wedding Was the 'Greatest Night of My Entire Life'





By Brittany Stubbs

It was a night from a fairy tale when Kaley Cuoco and Ryan Sweeting tied the knot this Tuesday. Their New Year's Eve wedding was fire-and-ice themed and took place at Hummingbird Nest Ranch in Santa Susana, California, confirms <u>People</u>. The Big Bang Theory hottie Instagrammed a photo of her and her new hubby engulfed in her pink Vera Wang wedding gown, with the caption, "Greatest night of my entire life." She also shared a

picture of their first dance, captioning it, "Last night I married my sweetheart [] life couldn't be sweeter." As the pictures reveal, it was a perfect start to the New Year for these lovebirds.

What are some ways to make your wedding extra special?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Your wedding day is one of the most exciting milestones you'll reach. Everyone deserves for their big day to be as special and memorable as possible:

1. Personalize the details: Instead of just getting a wedding planner to help you book whatever DJ is hot at the time or decide on whatever flower arrangements match the season, make your wedding special by having the details reflect you and your fiance's relationship and tastes. Was one of your first dates at a concert or a fun jazz club? Why not have your music bring back that special memory from your relationship? What were the first flowers he gave you? Why not incorporate them into your arrangement? It's those little details that will make the day more special for the both of you.

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2. Pick a date that works best for important guests: You can't satisfy everyone's schedule, but before you send out a Save the Date based on when a venue is available, consult the friends and family members you couldn't imagine not having on your big day. After all, they'll make your day feel more special than any venue or band could.

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3. Make everyone feel included in your celebration: You can only have a certain amount of bridesmaids and groomsmen, but there are still ways to make other people feel included on

your special day. Dedicating a song to your guests that are friends from college, or asking relatives or old friends to make a toast are ways everyone will feel involved. Does your fiance have a sibling or close family member that's not involved in the wedding party already? Why not leave something special at the place they'll be sitting for the reception. A way of showing how excited you are that you're now family. The more people involved, the more special and memorable it will be for everyone.

What makes a wedding extra special in your opinion? Share your thoughts below.

## Vanessa Carlton Ties the Knot with Stevie Nicks Officiating





By Kerri Sheehan

Vanessa Carlton is hitched! The "A Thousand Miles" singer wed singer John McCauley is past Friday. Carlton wore a fitted, long-sleeved white wedding gown, with a purple headpiece and flowers. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u>, the 33-year-old tweeted, "Married this gentleman two hours ago xo."

What are some ways to keep your wedding low-key?

### Cupid's Advice:

Cupid has some advice for how to keep your wedding low-key:

1. Invites: Keeping the invite list small will ensure that your wedding doesn't get too over the top. Invite only immediate family and close friends for a more personal affair.

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2. Simplicity: There are a lot of weddings that go crazy with decorations, food, and clothing, however a less elaborate wedding can celebrate two people who are in love just the

same. Having simple decorations and menu will keep everything low-key.

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3. The important parts: Have a talk with your partner about the elements of the wedding that they can't go without. Once you figure out each other's priorities you can see what things you can't forget.

How would you keep your weddings low-key? Share below.

## Gabrielle Union and Dwayne Wade Get Engaged





By Kerri Sheehan

Gabrielle Union and Dwyane Wade are getting hitched! The 31-year-old NBA player got down on one knee for the 41-year-old actress this past weekend in Miami, Fl. Wade slipped an 8.5 carat diamond ring by Jason of Beverly Hills onto Union's finger. According to <u>UsMagazine.com</u> Union tweeted a picture of the diamond stunner followed by, "Maaaaaannn… I'm floatin! Thank you SO much for all the love, well wishes & support!"

How do you make sure your marriage proposal is a surprise?

### Cupid's Advice:

Every woman dreams of the perfect proposal. Let Cupid help you act out her dream.

1. Surprise yourself: Try keeping the ring on you at all times for a couple of weeks and then popping the question when you're truly feeling inspired and in love. By surprising yourself you'll guarantee that the bride to be will be surprised too!

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2. Enlist help: Asking your family and friends to keep the secret will help you plan a proposal to remember. A scavenger hunt with you waiting at the end is a common, yet special wedding proposal.

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3. Don't leave a trail: If you really want to pull off a surprise wedding proposal then don't leave a trail for your girl to follow! If she suspects anything out of the ordinary then she will likely snoop around a little and uncover your secret.

How did you propose? Share below.

## 'Glee' Star Dot-Marie Jones Ties the Knot





By April Littleton

According to <u>People</u>, Glee star Dot-Marie Jones married her longtime girlfriend Bridgett Casteen Saturday night at their Los Angeles home. Close friends of the lovebirds were invited to the celebration. Jones proposed to Casteen during the Gay Days Anaheim weekend in October.

How do you know when you're ready to marry your partner?

#### Cupid's Advice:

Marrying a significant other is a huge decision to make. Many factors should be considered before you take your first steps down the aisle. Cupid is here to help:

1. Similar goals: You and your significant other need to have some common interests. How many kids do you want? How important is having a career to your partner? What will the two of you be willing to sacrifice in order to have a stable life together? If the two of you can't seem to agree on any answers to the questions above, then you might not be right for each other.

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2. Unconditional love: You love everything about your honey. All of the little odd quirks your partner has brings a smile to your face and you wouldn't change a thing about him/her. Marriage takes work and commitment, but being with the love of your life will only seem like a burden if you can't accept all of who your partner is.

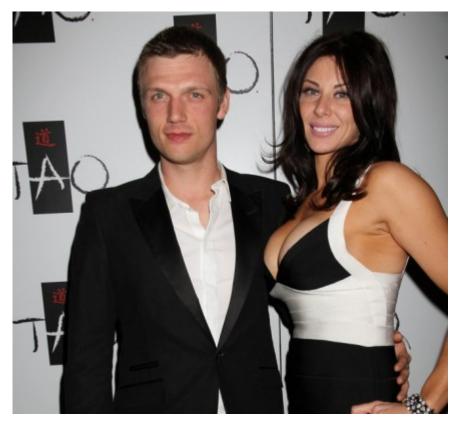
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3. Family and friends: Your loved ones opinion of your companion should weigh heavy on your decide to marry or not. You don't want to be with someone who doesn't get along with your close friends and family. Some of your loved ones may not dig your honey, but the majority of them should have a positive attitude toward the thought of the two of you tying the knot.

How did you know when you were ready to marry your partner? Share your experience below.

## Kris Jenner Says Kim Kardashian and Kanye West's Wedding Will Be Big





By April Littleton

Looks like Kim Kardashian might be planning another huge wedding extravaganza. "We have a pretty big family," Kris Jenner told <u>People</u>. "I don't think it will be two people in a chapel, if you know what I mean!" The couple, who got engaged at a San Francisco stadium in October, haven't set a wedding date yet. They currently live with Jenner, along with their daughter, North West.

What are some ways to decide how big your wedding should be?

### Cupid's Advice:

Big or small? Simple or extravagant? The overall style of your wedding is ultimately up to you and your partner, but there are some things you should keep in mind before you make your special day a free-for-all to all of your family and friends. Cupid has some tips:

1. Budget: How big your wedding is should be based on how much you're willing to spend. If you plan on going all out, then the obvious choice would be to invite as many people as you

want. However, if you're on a tight budget, a small ceremony and reception might be the only thing you can afford after you add up the rest of the wedding expenses.

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2. Family and friends: Think about how many loved ones you and your partner have altogether. Whether it be because of personal or money issues, not everyone will be able to attend your wedding. Make sure you and your honey create a priority invite list for people who are close to you and immediate family. Fill up the guest list as needed, but you don't need to invite acquaintances or co-workers you barely speak to.

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3. Privacy: You won't get to enjoy the benefits of an intimate, private wedding if you invite many people. If that's not something you're concerned about, then make sure everyone knows about your special day.

What are some other ways to decide how big your wedding should be? Comment below.

# Source Denies Rumor that Pippa Middleton and Nico Jackson Are Engaged





By Brittany Stubbs

Pippa Middleton's exciting engagement news is just a rumor! Although there was speculation about Middleton and her boyfriend Nico Jackson getting engaged during their trip to India earlier this month, a source tells <u>People</u>, "It is not true." Although the couple has been dating for a year, it doesn't look like wedding bells are in the near future...at least at the moment!

#### How do you keep your engagement under wraps?

### Cupid's Advice:

Want your big news to stay a surprise for a while? There's a couple things you should consider:

1. Don't tell a soul: Even your most loyal friend might have trouble keeping your exciting news a secret. So until you're ready to tell everyone, don't tell anyone. It can be difficult holding the big news in, but just think of it as exciting and romantic that you and your partner are the only ones that know about your future plans.

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2. Don't go crazy on Pinterest: Okay, most of us are guilty of occasionally pinning the wedding dresses, cakes, and cute invites on Pinterest; no shame, ladies! But if all of sudden your friends see you've added 50 new pins to your "Dream Wedding" board in one night...they might assume something is up. If you can't resist, make your board private so you can get a head start on planning without giving your engagement news away.

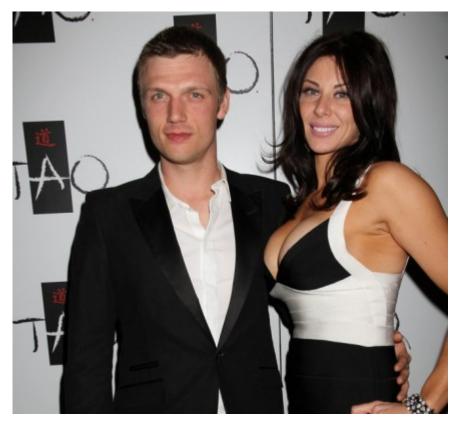
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3. Avoid your best friends if possible: That sounds silly, but your friends know when something is going on with you. You may think you're playing it totally cool, but they notice when you're holding something back, randomly smiling, or seem eager about something; that's what makes them best friends. So until you're ready to shout your news from every rooftop, skip that girls' night offer and go get planning on exciting ways to share your engagement.

How have you kept your engagement under wraps? Share your experiences below.

## Florida Georgia Line's Brian Kelley Marries Brittany Cole





By April Littleton

Florida Georgia Line's Brian Kelley secretly wed his serious girlfriend, Brittney Marie Cole, Monday in an outdoor ceremony at his Nashville home. "The whole process has been nontraditional," Kelley told <u>People</u> about his surprise wedding. "There was no official proposal or exchanging of rings. We had just fallen in love, and I knew I couldn't live without her. It sounds like a terrible cheesy movie, but when you know, you know!" Before tying the knot, the couple dated for seven months, but have known each other for over three years.

How do you know when you've found "the one"?

## Cupid's Advice:

You've been seeing someone for awhile now, and you're starting to believe you may have finally found the person you're supposed to be with forever. How do you know if your feelings are true? What are some signs to look for when you're thinking you found someone special? Cupid has some tips:

1. Great communication: If you and your new love can talk for

hours without getting bored of each other, then you might have found something special. Good communication is essential for a long-lasting relationship.

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2. New feelings: Compared to all of your other past relationships, you can sit back and honestly say that you've never felt the way you do about your current partner with anyone else. When you're with your girlfriend/boyfriend, you can't imagine living the rest of your life with another individual. You can picture a future with your honey, and inside of your head and heart, you know there isn't any other option for you.

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3. Through thick and thin: You acknowledge all of your significant other's strengths and weakness and you still love them unconditionally. When your partner makes a bad decision, you don't criticize them for it. In fact, you know what you have to do in order to build up their self-confidence. Only couples who are truly in love will stand by their companions no matter how good or bad things may get.

How did you know when you found "the one?" Share your experience below.

## 'Glee' Star Naya Rivera Says

## She and Fiance Are 'On the Same Page' About Wedding Plans





By April Littleton

Wedding plans for *Glee* star Naya Rivera and Big Sean seem to be going very smoothly. "At the end of the day, he knows 'happy wife, happy life!' Rivera told <u>People</u>. "So, he's kind of like, 'Whatever you want, babe!'"

What are some ways to compromise with your partner about wedding plans?

## Cupid's Advice:

Your big day is slowly approaching, but there are still so many details left untouched. You and your significant other can't seem to agree on much these days and it's not from lack of trying. Don't worry, Cupid is here to help:

1. Share ideas: Let your significant other what you have in mind for your wedding and vice versa. Once all ideas are out on the table, try to find a way to combine the two to make something new and unique. If mixing plans isn't what you're looking for, maybe the two of you can think about what you're willing to give up. For example, your partner might want fresh flowers, while you could settle for artificial.

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2. What's important: When you and your partner end up in an argument about the details of the wedding, think about what's really important. At the end of the day, the marriage you have with your significant other is what counts not the wedding. Yes, you still want to be able to look back and have fond memories of your reception and ceremony, but do you really think 10 years from now you'll still be upset over what flavor your wedding cake was?

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3. Keep an open mind: You might not be a fan of your honey's ideas for the reception and ceremony, but keep in mind that it's their wedding too. When your family and friends come to your wedding, they should be able to recognize the elements you incorporated and what your partner chose as well.

How did you compromise with your partner about wedding plans? Share your experience below.

## 'Family Ties' Star Meredith Baxter Ties the Knot





By April Littleton

Family Ties star Meredith Baxter and her longtime partner, Nancy Locke tied the knot in an intimate ceremony in Los Angeles Sunday afternoon. A friend sang and played guitar at their wedding ceremony, and during the reception, Locke's band took to the stage. The lovebirds have been together for seven years. "Now I understand why marriage caught on!" Baxter told People.

What are some ways to make music a central theme to your wedding?

Cupid's Advice:

Music can either bring a wedding celebration together, or cause the whole occasion to crash and burn. When it comes to showing musical creativity in your reception and ceremony, you and your partner have plenty of options to choose from. Cupid has some tips:

1. Spin the tunes yourself: If you're having your wedding on a tight budget, you might want to think about handling the music all on your own. Plan out some of your favorite songs, along with your partners and get a iPod playlist ready. As long as you have the essentials — a laptop, speakers, audio cables, etc, it shouldn't be too hard to keep things running smoothly throughout your special day. Of course, a friend can always help you out when you're ready to hit the dance floor yourself.

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2. Live band: There's nothing like a live performance to get the crowd's adrenaline going. Yes, the option will probably cost more than DIY tunes or a professional DJ, but you'll walk away with an experience of a lifetime. A band will be able to set the tone for your wedding reception and ceremony and keep the party going without any hiccups.

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**3. DJ:** With a DJ in hand, you'll be able to hear all of your favorite tunes, plus a dozen more you didn't even think to add to your playlist. If you decide to go this route, pay close attention to who you pick for the gig. A DJ might not understand what kind of "feel" you're going for at your wedding and could possible ruin the day for you and your honey.

What are some other ways to make music a central theme to your wedding? Comment below.

## Christian Slater Marries Brittany Lopez





By Brittany Stubbs

Christian Slater tied the knot with Brittany Lopez during an impromptu ceremony at the courthouse on Monday in Coral Gables, Florida. After dating for three years, the couple celebrated their engagement this summer with the intention of having a small ceremony later in the year. However, when they went to pick up their marriage license, the lovebirds spontaneously decided to go ahead and get married. Slater's rep confirmed the happy news with our friends at People.

#### How do you keep your wedding low-key?

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#### Cupid's Advice:

Getting married is an exciting event, but it doesn't take a million dollars and a formal ceremony to celebrate your commitment to one another. Check out these tips from Cupid for planning a simple wedding:

- 1. Set a small budget: Planning for your wedding is a fun time, but it's easy for couples to get carried away in the process. When it comes to how much money to spend, setting a number you both agree on and not over-spending can help keep your big day grounded.
- 2. Keep the guest list small: Invite only close friends and family to the wedding. This approach will make your ceremony intimate and all the more special while also keeping the overall price down.

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**3. Plan it yourself:** Wedding planners are great, but nothing puts a modest ceremony at risk like hiring a person that can tempt you with their big and elaborate ideas. So let your creative juices flow and make your wedding a true representation of you and your fiancé.

What are your thoughts on having a low-key wedding? Share with us below.